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GAYATRI MANTRA ILLUSION

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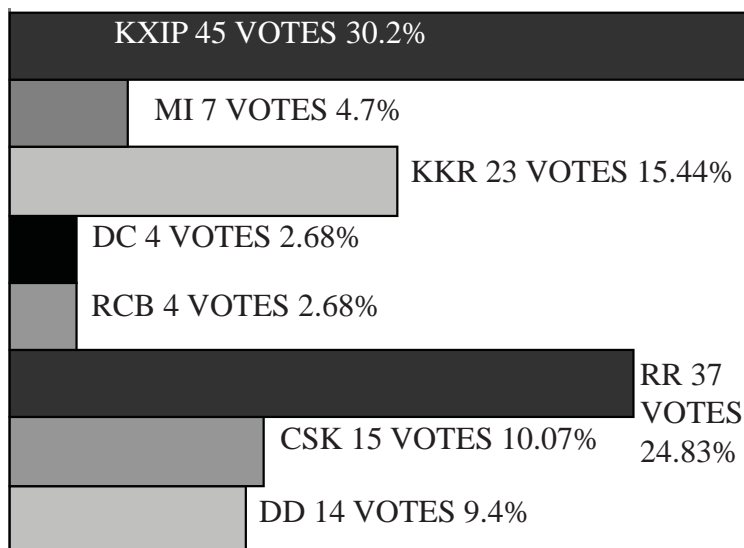
Buddha-Purnima or Buddha-Jayanti, the birth anniversary of Lord Buddha, is the most important festival of the Buddhists and is celebrated with great enthusiasm. This festival falls on full moon day in the month of April or May. It was on this same day that Buddha got enlightenment and also attained Nirvana or salvation. So, the Buddhists consider the day to be more auspicious than any other day of the year. Gautam Buddha was born as a prince in 544 BC in Lumbini, Nepal on a Full Moon day in the month of Vaishakh. When he was born it was predicted that the child would redeem the world. Even as a young prince he was touched by the pain and sickness of others. Later he renounced the world and became an ascetic. At the age of 35, he attained enlightenment on the full moon day of Vaishakh. He traveled far and wide preaching the truth and gained a large following consisting of scholars, sanyasis, rulers of states and others, thus forming the Buddhist community. On this day the followers of Buddha bathe and wear only white clothes. They give alms to monks. Prayers, sermons, and non-stop recitation of Buddhist scriptures resonate in monasteries. Since Buddha attained enlightenment sitting under a Bodhi (Peepal) tree, special care is taken in watering and tending Bodhi trees. They reaffirm their faith in the five principles called 'Panch Sheel'. On this day, the Buddhists free birds from cages, distribute fruit and clothes to the sick and refrain from eating meat. Bodh Gaya in Bihar and Sarnath in Uttar Pradesh are the main centers of celebration of this festival. Besides these two, areas with large Buddhist population like Ladakh, Sikkim, and Arunachal Pradesh also celebrate this festival with great devotion and enthusiasm.

IPL SCHEDULE OF THIS WEEK

DC v MI	Durban	April 25	4 p.m
KKR v CSK	Cape Town	April 25	8 p.m
RCB v DD	Port Elizabeth	April 26	4 p.m
RR v KXIP	Cape Town	April 26	8 p.m
CSK v DC	Durban	April 27	4 p.m
KKR v MI	Port Elizabeth	April 27	8 p.m
DD v RR	Pretoria	April 28	8 p.m
KKR v RCB	Durban	April 29	4 p.m
KIXP v MI	Durban	April 29	8 p.m
DC v DD	Pretoria	April 30	4 p.m
RR v CSK	Pretoria	April 30	8 p.m
MI v KKR	East London	May 01	4 p.m
KXIP v RCB	Durban	May 01	8 p.m
DC v RR	Port Elizabeth	May 02	4 p.m
DD v CSK	Johannesburg	May 02	8 p.m

LAST WEEK'S OPINION POLL RESULTS

Q. Which IPL Team do you support



Kings XI Punjab is the most famous team among Mayoites!!!

1. The Mayo College Mail, Saturday, April 25



INTERHOUSE *MUSIC*

Here are the results of the Interhouse Music (Indian and Western) held on the 18th and 19th of April respectively.

INDIAN MUSIC

Solo - 1st	Mridul Godha	B.T. House
2nd	Deepraj Singh	Jodhpur House

Best House - JODHPUR HOUSE

WESTERN MUSIC

Solo - 1st	Mrinal Mathur	Ajmer House
2nd	Deepraj Singh	Jodhpur House

Best House - JODHPUR HOUSE

OPINION POLL

THIS WEEK'S POLL - WHICH PLAY DID YOU LIKE THE MOST?

Vote for the best play wisely on Mayo-online and let us see which play was the most famous among the Mayoites!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDER

April 26 - Richter Scale Day
 April 27 - Tell A Story Day
 April 28 - Poetry Reading Day
 April 29 - National Non-Veg Day
 April 30 - National Honesty Day
 May 1 - Save The Rhino Day
 May 2 - Fire Day

CRICKET

SIDHARTH CHUGH

*Cricket is the game of class and passion,
 It may include some style but strictly no fashion.
 Cricket comprises of players who are totally fit,
 And the whole team wears a similar kit.
 When the cricketers live up to people's expectations,
 They earn fame and are respected in the nation.
 But at the same time when they do not play well,
 They are ruined at the places where they dwell.
 Batsmen, bowlers and fielders complete the team,
 When team spirit is present there is no need to scream.
 The crowd keeps cheering with uncontrollable fun,
 They tear their lungs out without caring for anyone.
 Some famous examples are of Sachin, Pollock and
 Flintoff,
 They play their innings well without any show-off.
 The captain of the team plays a major role,
 His bad performance may humiliate people's soul.
 In today's world people do match fixing,
 Players take in drugs with an alcohol mixing.
 Cricket requires those who play it fair,
 Because sportsman spirit makes a true player.*

SEIZE LIFE

*Remember to always say what you mean.
 If you love someone, tell them,
 Don't be afraid to express yourself.*

*Reach out and tell someone what they mean to you.
 Because when you decide
 That it is the right time,
 It might be too late later.*

Seize the day. Never have regrets.

*And most importantly,
 Stay close to your friends and family,
 For they have helped to make you
 The person that you are today.*



SILLY MISTAKES IN INDIAN MOVIES

***Baghban:** Amitabh Bachchan and Hema Malini are separated right after Holi (remember Amitabh singing Holi khele Raghubeera?). They are said to be separated for six months, i.e. from March to September. Within that six-month period, they celebrate Valentine's Day, which falls on February 14, and Karva Chauth, which is usually observed in October. There is no way these two occasions could come between March and September!

***Lagaan:** Lagaan was shot in the late 19th century. At the time, an over in cricket used to consist of 8 balls. But in this movie, an over has 6 balls. Maybe modern cricket learnt from the movie.

***Amar Akbar Anthony:** Three men donate blood at the same time to the same person.

***Awwal Number:** Dev Anand is an omnipotent genius-former cricketer, captain, army chief, commissioner, you name it. And Aamir Khan carries a huge transistor in his pocket while batting!

***Pyaar To Hona Hi Tha:** Kajol gets off the train to use the public toilet at the railway station and the train chugs off without her. Poor girl, little did she know that every train compartment has four toilets inside.

***Khiladiyon Ka Khiladi:** Akshay Kumar boards a Jet Airways flight to America. Well, well, some promotion for our Indian Jet Airways. Since when did they start flying international?

***Raja Hindustani:** Navneet Nishan has short hair before marriage. After tying the knot, she acquires waist-length hair overnight. What a hair-raising experience!

***Raja:** Dilip Tahil empties a can of petrol over Madhuri Dixit. Minutes later, Sanjay Kapoor takes the same can and pours it over Dilip Tahil. That's what I call an autofill!

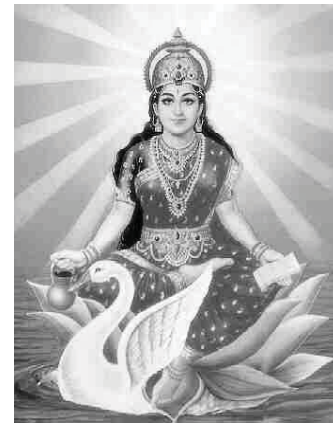
***Guddu:** Manisha Koirala and Shah Rukh Khan are seen hanging on a parachute during a song. But when the song ends, they land on a glider. What a switch above sea level!

***Tere Mere Sapne:** Priya Gill is doing her BA. But at the bus stop, she is carrying an electrical technology thesis by B L Theraja. What an electrifying interest!

GAYATRI MANTRA

*Aum Bhur Bhuvah Swah, Tat Savitur Varennyam
Bhargo Devasya Dhimahi, Dhiyo Yo Nah Prachodayat*

A BASIC TRANSLATION OF THIS IS:



Oh God, the Protector, the basis of all life, Who is self-existent, Who is free from all pains and Whose contact frees the soul from all troubles, Who pervades the Universe and sustains all, the Creator and Energizer of the whole Universe, the Giver of happiness, Who is worthy of acceptance, the most excellent, Who is Pure and the Purifier of all, let us embrace that very God, so that He may direct our mental faculties in the right direction.

KILLING ENGLISH

"MATHS LESSON : Let Raju thinks a number – x"

"How many times I have to told you?"

"I will tell to Mr Colvin"

"If your swimming is not there the teacher is not possible"

"Its very hot. The sweat is falling like rain".

Did you also hear any such dialogues in the campus? If yes, then you can send them to the Mail at editor@mayocollege.com.

ILLUSION



A lady's face made up of a flower!

TONGUE TWISTER

Speak this line repeatedly as fast as you can with correct pronunciation!

'A flea and a fly flew up in a flue. Said the flea, "Let us fly!" Said the fly, "Let us flee!" So they flew through a flaw in the flue.'

Ripley's — Believe It or Not!

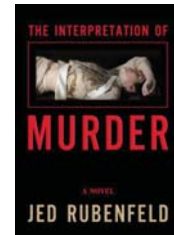
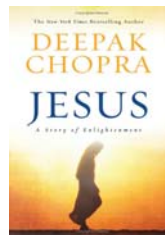
- In the course of an average lifetime, while sleeping you might eat around 70 assorted insects and 10 spiders, or more.
- Some lipsticks contain fish scales.
- Cat urine glows under a black-light.
- Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.
- Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.
- The average person's left hand does 56% of the typing (when using the proper position of the hands on the keyboard; Hunting and pecking doesn't count!).
- A shark is the only known fish that can blink with both eyes.
- The longest one-syllable words in the English language are "scaunched" and "strengthened." Some suggest that "squirreled" could be included, but squirrel is intended to be pronounced as two syllables (squir-rel) according to most dictionaries. "Screeched" and "strengths" are two other long one-syllable words, but they only have 9 letters.

LIBRARY BOOKS

- Jesus: A Story Of Enlightenment - D. Chopra
- Boots Belts Berets - Tanushree Podder
- The Oxford Murders - Guillermo Martinez
- Intern: A Doctor's Initiation - Sandeep Juhar
- The Hundred Foot Journey - Richard Morris
- The Interpretation Of Murder - Jed Rubenfeld

THIS WEEK

- About Indian Birds - Salim Ali



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